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See *MCI v. FCC*, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

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**Statement of Commissioner Michael O’Rielly  
on the Media Bureau’s New Guidance on  
Sharing Arrangements and Contingent Interests**

Washington, D.C. – Commissioner Michael O’Rielly issued the following statement today:

“I must disagree with the Media Bureau’s Public Notice issued today on both process and substance. On process, the item appears to set forth a new policy and, therefore, should have been voted by the Commission, rather than on delegated authority. Moreover, the issue of delegation is a recurring and troubling one. On substance, this guidance presupposes the media ownership item to be voted later this month and may deter future transactions that could increase local news and other beneficial diverse programming for communities.”